



## Welcome to Warfighter!

In the coming days, we will be totally immersed in the practice of our crucial warfighting skills, and the validation of our ability to fulfill our charter as America's most forward-deployed corps.

It takes every one of us to bring the "corps package" together, from the staff officers in the command post to the specialist who delivers the fuel that keeps us moving.

What makes this year's exercise unique is that we are moving forward in a climate unlike our Army has seen in a generation or more. World events have made the practice and refinement of our abilities to move, shoot and communicate more vital than ever.

This Warfighter requires greater focus, greater attention to detail, and greater dedication to the mission than ever. We must not only prove our skills to our evaluators, but also to ourselves. We owe our very best not only to our fellow Victory Corps soldiers, not only to U.S. Army Europe, but to the American people and American ideals we are pledged to support and defend.

As we forge ahead, I ask you to pay particular attention to the imperatives of force protection, and to train safely.

I'll see you on the high ground.  
Victory Corps – It will be done!

**WILLIAM S. WALLACE**  
Lieutenant General, USA  
Commanding

# CORPS INVADES GTA FOR WARFIGHTER



Photo by Pfc. Benjamin Etzioni

*An M1A1 Abrams tank rolls into the Grafenwoehr Training Area ready for the V Corps Warfighter. Urgent Victory 2002 tasks V Corps soldiers on their ability to react to different scenarios in a simulated battle.*

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More than 9,000 V Corps soldiers and U.S. Air Force airmen will deploy from across Germany to take part in Urgent Victory, a simulated warfighting exercise at the Grafenwoehr Training Area in Grafenwoehr, Germany, from March 23 through April 2, 2002.

This year's exercise provides warfighting training to the V Corps staff in a simulated conflict between the fictitious nations of

Redland and Greenland, tasking V Corps soldiers to react to different scenarios that occur over the course of the conflict.

The conflict begins at the Simulations Center in Grafenwoehr, which receives information directly from the National Simulation Center at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., where the majority of the Warfighter battle scenario originates. Once the information arrives, the Simulations Center sends the information to V Corps battalions and brigades.

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As information is received, the corps' field tactical operations centers consolidate the information and send it to their higher level, the main V Corps main command post. There information is reviewed, a fragmentary order is issued to direct the next

line of action, and the information is sent down the lines the same way it came up.

Each year, experts from Fort Leavenworth's Battle Command Training Program test units throughout the Army on their ability to react to

different scenarios through Warfighter exercises. During Urgent Victory, V Corps' warfighting ability will be tested by a team comprised of senior evaluators from BCTP, the United States Army Europe and from within V Corps itself.

## Warfighter of the Day



Photo by Cadet Melanie Meyer  
135th MPAD, Iowa National Guard

***Surrounded by the tools of the trade, Pvt. Javier Quiepe a food specialist with the 320<sup>th</sup> Chemical Detachment from New York, prepares lunch at the Special Troops Battalion dining facility on Camp Aachen. The STB dining facility serves approximately 400 soldiers per day for breakfast and dinner. It is run by a rotation of 12 soldiers from STB and the National Guard. On a daily basis, the dining facility serves up to 30 gallons of coffee.***

## THE SOLDIERS OF URGENT VICTORY

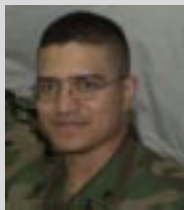


Photo by Sgt. Tim Mills  
135th MPAD, Iowa National Guard

***Sgt. Abraham Gates, a cable systems installer & maintainer from the 22nd Signal Brigade out of Darmstadt, Germany on his role at the '02 Warfighter; "I work communications at the V Corps Main Command Post. This is my fourth year in Germany, so I've seen a lot of Warfighters."***

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